

## **Weekly Police Beat for the week ending July 14, 2017**

### **Thefts from unlocked cars tick upward**

#### ***Lock your car every time you park***

Although the number of nighttime thefts from unlocked cars have been low overall this year, such thefts have been trending upward since summer started.

The Village Police Department has received reports of seven nighttime thefts from *unlocked* cars since the beginning of June. Streets where these recent thefts have occurred include Oliver, Center, Hesketh, W. Irving, Grafton, Montgomery and Oxford.

When you lock your car, you prevent these petty thefts. Not only will you be protecting your own property, you will deny to the thief an opportunity to steal—and that is good for your neighbors.

The inverse is also true: when you fail to lock your car and provide an easy target to a thief, you teach the thief that the Village is an easy place to come to steal. These thieves will come back to the Village again and again—and they'll bring their friends.

C'mon, folks. Do the socially responsible thing: **lock your car every time you park.**